

25. The device of claim 24 further comprising operating controls that comprise a speech recognition apparatus for the detection of a user voice command contained in a sound signal and for the conversion of voice commands to a corresponding control command.

26. A portable data recording or playback device, comprising
a data capture device or data output device;
a data memory device or data readout device; and
operating controls.

27. The device of claim 26 wherein the operating controls comprise sound capture apparatus for capture of a sound signal.

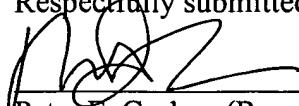
28. The device of claim 26 further comprising operating controls that comprise a speech recognition apparatus for the detection of a user voice command contained in a sound signal and for the conversion of voice commands to a corresponding control command.

REMARKS

Claims 22-28 have been added to the application.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

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